



## ISLAND COUNTY ASSESSOR

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Dear Taxpayer:

The Island Counties Board of Commissioners adopted Resolution C-57-14 on July 28, 2014. This Resolution was written to follow Senate Bill 6180, authorizing combination of all Timber Exemption programs into Designated Forest. You currently are listed as the owner of a parcel that is in the Current Use Open Timber classification. This letter is to inform you of the following:

1. On December 15, 2014 the Island County Assessor's office will convert all values and files from Open Timber into Designated Forest classification.
2. As of December 15, 2014 the minimum requirement for Designated Forest is 5 acres.
3. As of July 28, 2014 all removals of Open Timber classification will follow the rules and laws of Designated Forest.
4. If you choose not to convert your Open Timber property, you must notify the Island County Assessor's office in writing no later than November 15th. All compensating tax will be due no later than December 15, 2014.

**5. No response to this letter approves conversion of the property to Designated Forest.**

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mary Engle

Island County Assessor